Deutsche Marks 24,905, 184.20 for 8 cranes and other order on M/s Cowans Sheldon, UK for 4 cranes with total FOB value as UK Pound Sterling 5,423,442.

(c) These cranes were procured through import to meet urgent requirement as the indigenous production at Jamalpur Workshop of Eastern Railway was not adequate.

(d) and (e) Central Bureau of Investigation has beeen entrusted to conduct detailed investigation into the procurement case of 12 numbers 140 Tonne Accident Relief Cranes in view of the specific observations of Comptroller and Auditor General of India in their Report No. 9 of 1999.

Construction of B.G. Rail-Line from Manoharpur to Paradip

† 4367. SHRI SHIBU SOREN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Department of Railways is going to construct a broad gauge rail line from Manoharpur to Paradip to encourage development and export of mineral based industries, in view of the huge mineral resources in the Jharkhand region;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) No. Sir. There is no such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Acute constraint of resources.

Passenger Amenities Committee in Mumbai

4368. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have reconstituted the passengers amenities Committee in Mumbai

. (b) if so, the details of Committee members and objectives of the said Committee;

(c) whether the said Committee has presented any report, and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.